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This report presents statistics on U.S. exports and imports by air in U.S. customs district by continent arrangement. Data have been compiled from Shipper's Export Declarations (Commerce Form 7525-V) and import entries during the regular processing of statistical data on foreign trade shipments. The customs districts shown in this report are those having combined exports and imports by air valued at $2 million or more during the preceding calendar year. A complete list of customs districts and ports is presented in Schedule D, Code Classification of United States Customs Districts and Ports, January 1, 1967 edition, as amended.

Exports

These statistics represent exports of domestic and foreign merchandise combined and include government and nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from the United States to foreign countries. The statistics, therefore, include Department of Defense Military Assistance Program--Grant-Aid shipments, shipments for economic assistance under the Foreign Assistance Act, and shipments of agricultural commodities under P.L. 480 (The Trade Development and Assistance Act of 1954, as amended) and related laws. Shipments to U.S. Armed Forces and diplomatic missions abroad for their own use are not included in the export statistics. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but exports from Puerto Rico to foreign countries are included as a part of the U.S. export statistics. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is excluded. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise, and is included in this report.) The figures in this report exclude exports of household and personal effects, shipments by mail and parcel post, and shipments of airplanes under their own power.

For security reasons, certain commodities are designated as Special Category commodities, for which security regulations place restrictions upon the export information that may be released. The data shown in this report for individual customs districts and continents exclude exports of Special Category commodities, but overall shipping weight and value totals for Special Category commodities are shown. A list of Special Category commodities, which appears in the January 1970 issue of Report FT 410, may be obtained from the Bureau of the Census.

Effective with the statistics for January 1970, the export statistics reflect fully compiled data for shipments individually valued $251 and over to countries other than Canada. For Canada, data are fully compiled for shipments individually valued at $2,000 and over while data for shipments valued $251-$1,999 are estimated from a 10-percent sample of such shipments. Shipping weight and value data are also estimated for shipments valued under $251. These estimates are not included in the data shown for individual customs districts.

Since the export figures shown for North America include estimates based on a sample of low-valued shipments, they are subject to some degree of sampling variability. The following is a rough guide to the general level of sampling variability (on a 2 chances out of 3 basis) of value totals. Usually, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors.

Value totals for "Total" and "North America" of:	Proportion of cells with sampling variability of:			
	under 2%	under 5%	under 10%	under 20%
$1,000,000 and over	.60	.75	.85	1.00
$500,000 - $1,000,000	.40	1.00		
$100,000 - $500,000	.45	.55	.85	1.00
$20,000 - $100,000	.65	.65	.65	1.00
Cells of under $20,000	Generally less than $10,000			

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The sampling variability of shipping weight figures, in percentage terms, can be approximated by the percent sampling variability of value.

Imports

These statistics represent general imports, which are a combination of imports for immediate consumption and entries into bonded warehouses. The statistics include government as well as nongovernment shipments of merchandise by air from foreign countries to the United States. However, American goods returned by the U.S. Armed Forces for their own use are excluded. U.S. trade with Puerto Rico and with U.S. possessions and trade between U.S. possessions are not included in this report, but imports into Puerto Rico from foreign countries are considered to be U.S. imports and are included. Merchandise shipped through the United States in transit from one foreign country to another, when documented as such through U.S. Customs, is not reported as imports and is excluded from the data shown in this report. (Foreign merchandise that has entered the United States as an import and is subsequently reexported is not treated as in-transit merchandise and is included in this report.) Imports of household and personal effects, imports by mail and parcel post, and imports of airplanes under their own power are not included.

The statistics shown for individual customs districts represent fully compiled data for shipments valued $251 and over. Data for shipments valued under $251, reported on formal and informal entries (informal entries generally contain items valued under $251), are estimated from a 5-percent sample. Separate shipping weight and value estimates for shipments valued under $251 are shown. The shipping weight data are estimated from the values on the basis of constants that have been derived from an observation of the value-weight relationships in past periods.

Since the statistics showing total value of imports by all carriers include sample estimates, they are subject to sampling variability. In general, the higher value figures will have the lower percent sampling errors. Value totals of $500,000 and over will generally have a sampling variability of less than 3 percent; value totals of under $500,000 will generally have a sampling variability of less than $50,000.

Table 1. Selected Customs Districts of Lading by Continent

(Data shown represent domestic and foreign merchandise. Shipments of Special Category commodities are excluded from all district and continent data. Estimated shipments valued under $251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)								Value (1,000 dollars)							
	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. flag carriers						
Total, all carriers..	76,404	(X)	19,880	7,333	37,626	8,225	1,309	1,615	504,339	(X)	72,608	32,867	284,552	84,879	9,390	10,888
U.S. flag carriers.....	(X)	28,164	8,473	2,213	13,433	3,396	203	341	(X)	190,139	33,015	9,093	101,808	38,446	1,397	3,353
St. Albans, Vt.....	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-	-
Boston, Mass.....	1,981	949	231	-	1,614	111	15	9	17,870	10,293	1,477	-	15,064	910	294	124
Buffalo, N.Y.....	418	415	416	-	2	-	-	-	2,214	2,192	2,189	-	25	-	-	-
New York City, N.Y.....	33,787	10,809	2,697	1,893	24,109	3,785	276	1,027	264,812	79,870	14,978	12,074	192,849	35,116	2,712	7,083
Philadelphia, Pa.....	757	506	53	(Z)	640	53	1	9	7,025	5,090	305	12	5,689	909	5	105
Baltimore, Md.....	33	33	21	-	7	2	-	3	97	97	42	-	39	5	-	11
Savannah, Ga.....	268	268	57	-	178	(Z)	-	33	1,311	1,309	216	-	393	9	-	694
Tampa, Fla.....	39	3	39	-	1	-	-	-	104	9	72	-	32	-	-	-
New Orleans, La.....	418	152	366	45	5	(Z)	-	2	1,340	484	1,132	173	27	1	-	8
Laredo, Tex.....	219	119	213	6	-	-	-	-	629	426	578	51	-	-	-	-
El Paso, Tex.....	58	58	57	-	(Z)	1	-	-	579	579	561	-	13	5	-	-
Nogales, Ariz.....	104	81	104	-	-	-	-	-	166	122	166	-	-	-	-	-
Los Angeles, Calif.....	4,824	2,220	1,216	170	2,059	1,000	321	58	48,234	18,010	9,246	1,353	17,309	17,600	2,145	581
San Francisco, Calif...	2,370	1,170	217	38	458	1,365	289	4	29,458	14,890	1,633	358	4,572	19,601	3,234	59
Portland, Oreg.....	54	52	8	-	45	1	-	(Z)	450	388	13	-	412	22	-	4
Seattle, Wash.....	637	419	276	7	137	201	3	13	7,151	3,221	3,834	18	1,049	1,886	25	338
Anchorage, Alaska.....	69	64	29	-	38	2	-	(Z)	584	465	446	-	65	73	-	1
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	62	27	19	-	(Z)	24	19	(Z)	364	141	45	-	20	179	117	3
Great Falls, Mont.....	41	41	41	-	-	-	-	-	381	381	381	-	-	-	-	-
Pembina, N. Dak.....	(Z)	-	(Z)	-	-	-	-	-	10	-	10	-	-	-	-	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	180	180	105	-	11	64	-	-	1,880	1,880	665	-	187	1,028	-	-
Duluth, Minn.....	12	12	12	-	-	-	-	-	1,025	1,025	1,025	-	-	-	-	-
Detroit, Mich.....	1,798	1,621	414	(Z)	1,299	9	4	72	9,754	9,035	1,365	1	8,250	27	14	97
Chicago, Ill.....	5,532	2,835	1,763	1	3,339	369	4	55	34,350	18,407	8,707	9	22,174	3,144	14	303
Cleveland, Ohio.....	618	64	592	-	18	7	(Z)	-	2,658	309	2,185	-	278	194	1	-
St. Louis, Mo.....	132	130	75	-	41	15	-	-	716	696	69	-	299	348	-	-
San Juan, P.R.....	634	521	585	45	3	1	-	(Z)	1,006	734	731	97	137	3	-	37
Miami, Fla.....	10,014	4,734	5,575	4,330	100	9	-	1	30,184	12,145	12,114	16,609	1,224	219	-	18
Houston, Tex.....	734	447	245	15	197	162	2	112	6,085	3,740	1,317	366	2,513	1,184	35	669
Washington, D.C.....	339	106	5	41	269	19	-	5	5,588	1,049	20	157	5,307	68	-	36
All other districts....	40	22	17	5	11	6	-	1	225	127	66	14	83	44	-	18
Shipments under $251...	9,815	(NA)	4,430	738	3,045	1,019	374	209	18,933	(NA)	7,019	1,575	6,541	2,303	795	700
Special Category.....	415	105	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	9,154	3,028	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)	(D)

- Represents zero. D Data withheld to avoid disclosure of information for security reasons. NA Not available. X Not applicable. Z Less than 500 pounds or $500.

Table 2. Selected Customs Districts of Unlading by Continent

(Estimated shipments valued under $251 are excluded from all district data and data for U.S. flag carriers. Total columns include a small amount of shipments which are unidentified by continent)

Customs district	Shipping weight (1,000 pounds)								Value (1,000 dollars)							
	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa	Total		North America	South America	Europe	Asia	Australia and Oceania	Africa
	All carriers	U.S. flag carriers							All carriers	U.S. flag carriers						
Total, all carriers..	54,825	(X)	8,298	4,627	31,128	10,208	321	205	293,253	(X)	28,708	8,709	176,958	72,965	2,480	3,388
U.S. flag carriers.....	(X)	25,745	3,996	1,855	13,228	6,522	75	69	(X)	147,701	11,979	4,579	78,562	49,791	1,051	1,739
St. Albans, Vt.....	42	31	25	-	17	-	-	-	283	264	111	-	172	-	-	-
Boston, Mass.....	2,763	1,796	46	2	2,662	24	1	29	12,266	7,324	628	11	10,835	710	4	78
Buffalo, N.Y.....	113	105	92	-	20	1	-	-	1,639	1,486	1,419	-	209	12	-	-
New York City, N.Y.....	25,852	11,718	634	1,283	20,548	3,129	143	116	156,391	64,951	3,975	4,826	121,525	23,567	1,003	1,494
Philadelphia, Pa.....	599	536	7	-	583	7	1	2	7,401	6,514	149	-	5,859	33	4	1,355
Baltimore, Md.....	73	70	12	-	60	1	(Z)	-	869	849	601	-	261	5	2	-
Savannah, Ga.....	82	74	45	-	37	(Z)	-	-	240	220	148	-	89	3	-	-
Tampa, Fla.....	69	47	66	-	3	(Z)	-	-	248	27	63	-	184	Z	-	-
New Orleans, La.....	305	116	289	9	4	3	-	(Z)	349	177	297	16	15	9	-	12
Laredo, Tex.....	201	174	201	-	(Z)	(Z)	-	-	192	93	189	-	2	1	-	-
El Paso, Tex.....	9	9	9	-	1	(Z)	-	-	178	167	174	-	3	1	-	-
Nogales, Ariz.....	(Z)	(Z)	(Z)	-	(Z)	-	-	-	5	4	2	-	2	-	-	-
Los Angeles, Calif.....	3,108	1,859	228	48	680	2,094	54	3	27,958	15,279	5,125	467	6,123	15,466	727	50
San Francisco, Calif...	2,850	2,220	30	6	224	2,534	56	(Z)	24,716	17,355	553	37	2,228	21,650	245	3
Portland, Oreg.....	44	44	(Z)	-	43	1	-	-	229	228	5	-	216	8	-	-
Seattle, Wash.....	457	364	138	-	62	257	(Z)	(Z)	4,780	4,250	1,009	-	533	3,232	3	3
Anchorage, Alaska.....	12	2	8	-	4	1	-	-	104	22	14	-	75	16	-	-
Honolulu, Hawaii.....	111	66	24	-	3	66	19	-	927	412	32	-	78	389	429	-
Great Falls, Mont.....	36	28	35	-	-	-	-	(Z)	134	128	133	-	-	-	-	1
Pembina, N. Dak.....	25	23	24	-	1	-	-	-	162	156	160	-	2	-	-	-
Minneapolis, Minn.....	135	131	11	-	30	93	(Z)	-	1,059	1,023	148	-	219	692	1	-
Duluth, Minn.....	6	4	6	-	-	(Z)	-	-	1,167	435	1,166	-	-	(Z)	-	-
Detroit, Mich.....	725	616	148	-	572	2	-	2	2,418	1,952	470	-	1,926	21	-	1
Chicago, Ill.....	2,716	1,417	294	-	1,692	720	-	9	22,231	12,807	4,357	-	12,856	4,968	-	50
Cleveland, Ohio.....	135	22	92	-	27	17	-	-	1,417	491	802	-	190	426	-	-
St. Louis, Mo.....	8	7	(Z)	-	7	(Z)	-	(Z)	95	79	2	-	87	5	-	1
San Juan, P.R.....	1,897	411	1,372	191	327	6	-	-	2,144	668	649	253	1,229	13	-	-
Miami, Fla.....	6,328	3,335	3,291	2,933	86	18	(Z)	(Z)	8,574	3,639	4,559	2,882	1,025	102	3	3
Houston, Tex.....	229	160	113	13	89	8	-	5	3,132	2,117	228	39	2,545	43	-	277
Washington, D.C.....	362	343	19	-	332	10	-	1	4,775	4,393	14	-	4,642	103	-	16
All other districts....	32	16	16	(Z)	14	1	-	-	464	192	279	4	171	10	-	-
Shipments under $251...	5,502	(NA)	1,023	142	3,001	1,214	48	37	6,708	(NA)	1,247	173	3,659	1,480	58	45

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